have no fixed proposal to import horticulture planting material, but it is imported as and when required by different Institutions/Companies.

Provisions of compensation for multiple duties and taxes on exports

1553. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry is working on any scheme of providing full compensation for the incidence of multiple duties and taxes on exports;

(b) whether any consultations have been held in this regard with the exporters; and

(c) whether the proposed scheme is thought about by the Ministry in view of the proposed withdrawal of Duty Entitlement Passbook Scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. In the Foreign Trade Policy announced on 31st of August, 2004, it was mentioned that the DEPB Scheme will continue to be operative until it is replaced by a new Scheme which will be drawn up in consultation with the exporters.

Accordingly wide ranging consultations have been held and based on the feedback obtained from the exporters and exporters' organizations Government is formulating a Scheme for compensation of various duties and levies on exports. The Scheme is being formulated with the help of National Council for Applied Economic Research and Rajiv Gandhi Foundation/Economic Law practice.

Marketing rights to NOVARTIS

1554. SHRI JI BON ROY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether exclusive marketing rights has been granted by the Government to NOVARTIS for Glevac, an anti-cancer medicine;

(b) if so, what is the present price of Glevac by Novartis (per ampule); and

(c) what was the price per ampule on Glevac which was earlier produced by six Indian Companies?